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Success Story

CHIEF SCIENTIST NAMED ASME LIFE FELLOW



The American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) recently awarded Dr. Bob Sierakowski, the chief scientist of the Munitions Directorate, with the prestigious honor of “ASME Life Fellow.” ASME promotes and enhances the technical competency and professional well-being of its members and, through quality programs and activities in mechanical engineering, better enables its practitioners to contribute to the well-being of humankind.



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Accomplishment

The ASME honored Dr. Sierakowski, a Fellow since 1985, for his long-term contributions to the society including chair of Structures and Materials Committee of the Aerospace Division, chair of the Aerospace Division, and service on the national nominating committee. As the directorate's chief scientist, Dr. Sierakowski advises the director, as well as the commander of AFRL, of research plans and programs in conventional weapon system and armament basic research. He advises on the relative status of scientific and technical competence within the directorate, the employment of consultants and experts, and the state of technology available from sources outside the directorate.

Dr. Sierakowski functioned in several positions within the engineering community, but his forte is as an educator and consultant/advisor to military organizations. Due to his superior abilities in these areas, the directorate chose him to fill his present position in 1997. The Connecticut native has authored or co-authored more than 150 publications including 3 technical books.

Background

Founded in 1880 as ASME, today ASME International is a nonprofit educational and technical organization serving a worldwide membership of 125,000. The member-elected Board of Governors and its 5 councils, 44 boards, and hundreds of committees in 13 regions throughout the world perform ASME's work. Four hundred combined sections and student sections serve ASME's worldwide membership.

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